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## GOULD TAKES GORHAM AND SOUTH PARIS

GOULD 55—GORHAM 27

The N. H. invaders threw a scare into the Gould camp when they rallied in the second period to hold the home forces to a meager 21-17 lead. It was Captain Bennett with 10 points in the first half that kept Gould in the running.

The second half was another story. With the Husky defense stopping the invaders cold, Gould speeded up with all men taking turns in the scoring. Davis had a tough time with two men watching him during the game but he still managed to score in double figures. Ronnie Kendall did a fine job filling in for the injured Hamilton, who will be out for some time with a sprained ankle.

The Gould J.V.s behind 11-17 at the half put on a great second half rally to win. Clint Mason led the way with 15 points. Agnew with 11 and Lowell with 10 helped build up the 41-19 victory.

Gould (55)			
Bennett f	9	1	19
Boyd f	1	0	2
Hall f	5	1	11
Lowell f	0	0	0
Davis c	4	2	11
Kendall g	1	0	2
Guernsey g	2	0	4
Smith g	2	2	4
Dodge g	0	0	0
Totals	24	7	55

Gorham (27)			
Blashoff f	2	1	5
Ross f	0	0	0
Jazz f	3	0	6
Corrigan f	2	1	5
Therrian c	1	0	2
Lapierre c	2	2	6
Draw g	1	1	3
Barnes g	0	0	0
Edgar g	0	0	0
Bombard g	0	0	0
Totals	11	5	27

South Paris 15 21 35 53  
Gorham 6 17 19 27

Referee: Fortunato and Spanhan.

## GOULD 61—SOUTH PARIS 26

With both teams playing poor basketball Gould Academy won an easy victory over the Paris Cardinals by a 61 to 26 score. The Huskies stuck to a zone defense the entire first period and kept the Paris team scoreless while scoring 13 points for themselves. The first six points were free throws by Bennett who connected for 8 out of 9 for the game. The scoring was evenly divided with four of the Huskies scoring in double figures. This victory gave Gould a record of four wins and no losses in conference play, while Paris holds second place with two and two.

In the first game of the evening Fryeburg dumped Norway into the conference cellar with a 55 to 38 victory.

Gould (61)			
Bennett f	2	8	12
Hall f	5	0	10
Kendall f	2	0	4
Davis c	6	3	15
Boyd c	0	0	0
Hamilton g	6	1	13
Guernsey g	0	0	0
Smith g	2	3	7
Dodge g	0	0	0
Totals	23	15	61

South Paris (26)			
Wentworth f	2	0	4
Bean f	0	0	0
Gannon f	3	1	7
Richards f	0	1	1
Sanborn c	3	4	10
Stevens c	0	0	0
Woodworth g	0	0	0
Hill g	2	0	4
Lauzier g	0	0	0
Bailey g	0	0	0
Totals	10	6	26

Referee—Raymond and Nutting.

## CONGREGATIONALISTS HONOR COLBY IN RECEPTION HERE

Rev and Mrs Rensel Colby of South Paris were guests of honor Sunday evening at the Congregational Church at a reception given by the Oxford County Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers. Rev Colby recently resigned as minister of the South Paris church and has accepted a pastorate at Watcomet.

Philip Stone of Norway introduced the following speakers: Dr. Harry Trust, president of the Bangor Theological Seminary; Dr. Cornelius Clark, minister of the Congregational Conference, of Portland; Rev Wilbur Bull of Watford; and Rev Kingsley Hawthorne of Bethel. Mrs Colby was presented a corsage from the association by Mrs Bull and a gift was presented to the honored couple.

A buffet supper was served in the church vestry following the reception by the following Guild members: Mrs Olive Lurvey, Mrs Gayle Foster, Mrs Errol Donahue and Mrs Harry Rayk.



## LT. CHARLES O. SMITH

Military funeral services for Lt. Charles O. Smith were held at the Greenleaf funeral home Saturday afternoon in charge of George A. Mundt Post, American Legion. Burial was at Woodland Cemetery.

Lt. Smith was born in Newry Nov. 23, 1917, the son of Homer and Lillian Bean Smith. He was educated in Bethel, graduating from Gould Academy in 1935.

He entered the Army Air Corps in March 1942. Receiving his basic training in southern flying schools, he went to Lawrenceville, Ill., for advanced training where he was graduated as Second Lieutenant Jan. 14, 1943. He was then sent to Tennessee for special experience in four engine bombers.

He was one of 20 high ranking students chosen to go to India and was co-pilot on the ferry plane from Miami to Tezpur, Assam Province, India, in May 1943. He was first pilot until his death on Nov. 28, 1943, when his plane crashed at Kunming, China.

## GOULD TO TRY LUCK AGAINST SOUTH PARIS FARMERS

A big basketball week is in store for Bethel fans as the Gould Huskies entertain two foes on Wednesday and Friday of next week. Coach Anderson has arranged for an exhibition game with the South Paris Farmers, one of the outstanding town teams of this section of the state. This game is slated for 8 o'clock on Wednesday, without a preliminary game. Featured in the Farmers line-up are Principal Higgins, Coaches Lavin and Durgin of South Paris High School. Harry Stearns, one of Paris High's all-time greats will also perform.

Whether a schoolboy team will be any match for these experienced veterans will be interesting to see. This should be the big attraction of the season.

On Friday, Jan. 28, starting at seven o'clock there will be another double header. The first game will bring together Coach Bowhay's J.V.s against Woodstock High of Bryant Pond. The neighboring school is enjoying one of its best seasons, with victories over the varsities of West Paris and Mechanic Falls. This should be the toughest game of the year for the Gould underdogs. The J.V.s will play at Bryant Pond this coming Tuesday. The feature game of the evening will be the St. Johnsbury Academy and Gould varsity game, slated for 8-15. Last year at St. Johnsbury, Vt., the Gould team found itself behind 13-2 before they finally got going to win 49-39. The Vermonters are scheduled to spend the night at Bethel returning Saturday morning.

## BARE GROUND HAMPER WOODS OPERATIONS

Continued lack of snow seriously affects many logging jobs in this vicinity. Mill wood and logs, which should have been yarded or hauled by this time, cannot be moved, and the shortened snow season when it does come may not be enough to allow loggers to make up for lost time.

## LEGION AUXILIARY NEWS

Those attending the American Legion and Auxiliary Council meetings at Norway Tuesday evening were Mrs Helma Chapman, Mrs Mary Moore, Mrs Katherine Bennett, Mrs Gladys Bean Mrs Hilda Donahue, Raymond Dexter and Roderick McMillin.

The Department President was present at the District meeting of the Auxiliary at Norway Wednesday evening. Local members who attended were Mrs Mary Moore, Mrs Helma Chapman, Mrs Hilda Donahue, Mrs Alta Meserve and Mrs Carrie French.

## EVERETT BEAN

Everett Bean passed away at the Rumford Community Hospital early this Thursday morning. Mr Bean was critically injured Tuesday while working in the woods alone near his home on Grover Hill. He reached home in a dazed condition, and was taken by ambulance to the hospital.

## MRS. DORA JACKSON STEARNS

Mrs Dora Jackson Stearns, widow of Nathan A. Stearns, died at her home on Grover Hill Tuesday night. Private funeral services will be held at the Greenleaf funeral home at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon.

## CONGREGATIONAL GUILD MET WEDNESDAY EVE., JAN. 12

A clever word picture of Franco as it is today was presented to the Guild last Wednesday night through the letters of Miss Margaret Tibbets, read by Mrs R. R. Tibbets. The letters were written last summer while Miss Tibbets was abroad with a United Nations group.

The meeting was preceded by a pot luck supper, the committee being Mrs Kimball Ames, Mrs J. A. Matheson and Mrs George Lothrop. Mrs Richard Waldron presided over the business meeting. Rev Kingsley Hawthorne spoke briefly on plans for Lenten services and March 3 was selected as the date the Guild would sponsor a service. The committee appointed was Miss Ann Griggs, Mrs Harlan Hutchins, and Mrs Henry Hastings.

Mrs Grace Macfarlane reported that twenty-four baskets had been sent to shut-ins at Christmas. Mrs Theodore Emery requested the Guild's cooperation in improving the Sunday school, asking for additional teachers and help in increasing attendance.

It was voted to pay the same amount toward church expense as last year and to sponsor The Word for two months.

The next meeting is January 26 and will be a Game Party at Garland Chapel. The committee will be Mrs Henry Hastings, Mrs Lancelot Cooke, Mrs Addison Saunders and Mrs G. L. Kneeland. Miss Ann Griggs will have the devotions.

## IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Mrs Marshall Hastings returned from Boston Monday.

Mrs Estelle Gorgin spent the week-end with friends in Orono.

Mr and Mrs Donald Saunders of Westbrook were week-end guests of Mr and Mrs P. H. Chadbourne.

Game Warden Roland Abbott is occupying the upstairs apartment in E. O. Donahue's house, Mason Street.

Ronnie Quimby of Raymond, N. H., has been spending a few days with his grandparents, Mr and Mrs Fred Hall.

There will be a public whist party at the I. O. O. F. hall Monday evening, Jan. 31, sponsored by Sunset Rebekah Lodge.

Capt Sidney Dyke left Sunday for New Jersey where he will be assigned to duty in England. He has spent the past month with his family here.

Week-end guests of Fenton Roberts were Richard Cook and Robert Green of Northeastern Business College, Portland, and Robert Hanson of the University of Maine.

Emory Blake returned from the Rumford hospital Tuesday. He is recovering from severe burns suffered at the time of the fire at the new Hall residence on Paradise Street.

A little snow and continued rain Tuesday night and Wednesday morning made the highways so slippery that school buses could not make the morning trips and schools were not in session.

Cpl John Bean, 1st class, of Fort Dix arrived Wednesday for a short furlough with his mother, Mrs Gladys Bean. Upon his return to Fort Dix Cpl Bean will be assigned for duty in England.

Mrs Norris Brown is spending a few days in Portland with her aunt Mrs Paul Staples of Rumford, who is undergoing surgery. Mrs Henry Hastings is caring for Susan Brown while her mother is away.

Mrs Hilda Donahue was given a surprise birthday party by her daughter Ruth on Monday evening, Jan. 10. Refreshments of cake and ice cream were served. Those present were Mrs Mary Moore, Mrs Helma Chapman, Mrs Bertha Mills, Mrs Alta Meserve, Mrs Hilda Donahue and Ruth.

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For the past two weeks about 130 school children have had the advantage of being served a partial lunch prepared in this newly equipped lunch room in the Primary Building. At a recent meeting, the P. T. A. voted to make this a full lunch program beginning Tuesday, Feb. 1st. More in detail about this full program will appear in your local paper next week.

## 1948 IN REVIEW

JANUARY — George Lothrop bought a house on the Mayville road of Stanley Davis. Paul Salway began work as janitor of the village schools. Leon Millett punctured his knee cap while harvesting rice on Songo Pond. Mr and Mrs Arthur Ramsdell celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary. Richard Davis started operation of new saw mill near Alden River bridge. The home of Mr and Mrs Elmer Trask was badly damaged by fire. The weather was cold with little snow-fall. Gerard Lessard of Lewiston was killed in an automobile collision on Robertson Hill. Stanley Gallant opened the Texaco service station on Church Street. Deaths—Frank C. Bennett, Cristie Bennett, William E. Bosserman.

FEBRUARY — Fire destroyed the home of Mr and Mrs George Deconter at Gilead. Gould Academy won the State ski meet at the carnival here. Temperatures of 30 below were reported on the 10th and 11th. Harry Sawin was given a surprise party on his 81st birthday. Gould Academy won the County Basketball Tourney at Gould field house. Deaths—Paul F. Cole, Harry E. Norton, Miss Susie D. Mitchell, Mrs Lella Clifford, Mrs Clara Brown, Mrs Mary G. Penabody, Gilbert W. Tuell, Fred B. Merrill, Mrs Charlotte H. Curtis, John McBride.

MARCH — Louis Van Den Kerkhof became manager of the Bethel branch of the Casco Bank and Trust Co., succeeding Fred B. Merrill. The water main on Clark street froze and burst. The 23rd 30 Players presented "Adam's Evening." Dick Ireland was winner of the Junior National slalom and downhill races at Bozai, Idaho. Works Continued on Page Eight

## PLAYERS INITIATE NEW MEMBERS

At the January meeting of the Bethel Players held at the Community Room Monday evening, organization work for the coming year was completed when President Richard Bryant announced committee chairmen and other appointed officials. All selections were approved by the members present.

Richmond Roderick was named business manager, Wilbur Myers chosen auditor and Mrs Isaac W. Dyer 2nd selected as chairman of the important play-reading committee, which includes Richmond Roderick, Dale Thurston, Roland Glines and Miss Marion Stallwood. This group will also function as the board of directors.

Stanley Davis was appointed temporary vice-president in charge of hot air for the February meeting. Stanley avoided the common error by pretexts of promoting a tropical temperature on the evening before Washington's birthday but his general attitude in accepting the assignment indicated determination to boost the mercury to a new 70 p.m. high.

Following the business session a "Truth or Consequences" contest was conducted by Mrs Wilbur Myers. The consequences were somewhat drastic and were interpreted as initiation stunts by the class of new members which included Mrs Richmond Roderick, Mrs Norman Greig, Mrs Ordel Anderson, Mrs Freeland Clark and Albert Cotton.

The type, title and cast of the next presentation will be announced at the February meeting.

## FOOD SALE

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## JUNE IN JANUARY

Why go to Cal-i-for-ni-ay To while the winter months away When right at home the gentle breezes Bring birds and buds to Bethel trees.  
The poor mid-west just shakes and shivers With frozen toes and frosted livers While snow still falls at such a rate Its covered up the whole darn state.  
The orange and the lemon yellow More used to weather warm and mellow Have given up in grim despair Their fight against the frigid air.  
So fill your pipe, pull up your chair And ditch your woolen underwear. Don't wander off to South or West Just stay at home where living's best.  
P. C. B.

## MRS. ARSENAULT HONORED AT PARTY

Mrs Warren Blake, Mrs Marjory Delano, and Mrs Gilbert Brown entertained at a personal shower Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs Brown in honor of Mrs Raymond Arsenault. Many nice gifts were received and refreshments served including a shower cake. Those attending were Mrs Ruby Largey, Mrs Phyllis Lapham, Mrs Robley Chase, Mrs Muriel Lapham, Mrs Frances Clough, Mrs Pauline Davis, Mrs Beatrice Foster, Mrs Betty Mills, Mrs Helen Cummings and the hostesses. Those sending gifts but unable to attend were Mrs Mary Paine, Mrs John Meserve, Mrs Kenneth Brooks, Mrs Mary Brown, Mrs Annie Bunnell, Mrs Emma Robertson, Mrs Betty Robertson, Mrs Virginia Lapham, Mrs Myrtle Keniston, Mrs Winnie Logan, Mrs Mary Bishop, Mrs Lona Harding, Mrs Ernest Luncau, Mrs Elizabeth Wheeler, Mrs Jennie Brown, Mrs Homer Smith, Mrs Christine Rich, Mrs Shirley Clough, Miss Helen Foster, Warren Lapham.

## "MRS. ASTOR'S HORSE" DRAWS GOOD ATTENDANCE

The "Mrs. Astor's Horse" was a good attendance at the presentation of "Mrs Astor's Horse" Thursday and Friday evenings by the Bethel Players at the William Bingham Gymnasium. Following the Friday evening presentation the group was entertained at a buffet supper at the home of Mr and Mrs Parker Conner. Those present were: Miss Marion Stallwood, Mr and Mrs Richard Bryant, Mr and Mrs Addison Saunders, Mr and Mrs Francis Noyes, Mr and Mrs Lawrence Sanders, Dale Thurston, Stanley Davis, Mr and Mrs John Howe, Mr and Mrs Roland Glines, Mrs Katharine Adams, Mrs Ernest Gallant, Miss Carolyn Bryant, Mr and Mrs Wilbur Myers, Mr and Mrs Isaac Dyer, Mr and Mrs Richard Young, and Mr and Mrs Conner.

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Although the highway fatalities totalled 181 for 1948, 21 more than the previous year, the safety record for the last 7 months of the year was the best on record with the exception of the war years.

At the end of the first five months, we were at an all time high with 71 killed. It was logical to expect that this rate would continue and that the total for the year would break all existing records.

However, as the result of an extensive safety education campaign made possible by the wholehearted cooperation of the press, radio, and public organizations, we were able to cut down the toll. Every newspaper in the State, as well as every radio station, preached safety day in and day out until our people and our visitors became safety conscious.

If it had not been for this effective publicity, together with stricter enforcement, it is safe to say that our 1948 highway toll would have exceeded the totals experienced before the war. It is significant that in all other years the greatest number of deaths occurred during the last seven months of the year which would normally be expected in view of increased traffic.

In the 12 fatal accidents during December, in which 14 persons were killed, reckless driving was attributed as the apparent cause of 6, liquor was involved in 4, and faulty pedestrian action in 2.

Deaths resulting from faulty pedestrian action are steadily decreasing and can be attributed largely to safety education. The 59 pedestrians killed in each of the past 2 years compares favorably with the 80 pedestrian deaths in 1941, the last pre-war year.

Highway safety is a full-time job with which everyone must help. It vitally concerns every citizen of Maine. We are now entering upon a new year and with continued public support, Maine can set a highway safety record which will conform with our motto, "Dirigo." — Sgt. John deWinter, Director, Division of Traffic and Safety, Maine State Police.

## GORHAM FUGITIVE LANDS HERE WITH STOLEN PLANE

Harvey Gilbert of Orono, N. H., was taken into custody by State Police at Orono Tuesday. Breaking jail at Gorham, N. H., Jan. 11, he had intended to "bug out" when he decided to return to New Hampshire for a logging truck he had left behind. Taking a light plane at the Glen Rock airport he returned via Maryland and Connecticut. He landed at Lebanon, N. H., and at the local airport. While here he was recognized in Bethel Theatre and fled to the airport. He next landed the plane in a field in Gilead and got a ride to Gorham where he was recognized but again escaped. Returning to the plane he took off in the dark and flew to Orono. He was originally held at Gorham on the charge of stealing a battery.

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**LOOKING AHEAD**  
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President—Harding College  
Stacy, Arkansas

**What's Under the Hood?**  
Machine loving, curious Americans, we are. If we buy a new car, most of us want to know first what it's got that makes it go. Many a lad, since grown up but still curious, remember's papa's razor-strop or mama's rage because he tore up the Big Ben alarm clock. He just wanted to see what made it tick! The genius of young America today, for understanding things and machines and gadgets, shows a quality of mind and spirit that is distinctly American. May we never lose it.  
To want to know what's under the hood is a mighty fine thing. But about America itself, the story of our enormous growth, the foundations for our freedom and prosperity—these things we have not looked into. We know that America is the best land in which to live, but we don't always have the answers why. That's not fair to America, nor fair to the future we all have a right to expect. We ought to know the How's and Why's of the American Miracle.

**Seeing Is Believing**  
Ever since I came back in 1936 from a ten-year stay in China and a look-see at dozens of other nations both ways around the world, I have been plugging for real understanding of America. When we steamed into New York harbor that time, my wee daughter thought Heaven would be wonderful if it were half that nice. She didn't mind saying so. She was born in China. But I found a nation full of confused people, and I felt that many of my fellow Americans were faithless.  
I do not regret having since devoted so much time and energy to so job of recasting everybody's text on the idea of America. It's of that Americans are against the American way of doing things. You've been so free, and so busy, that we just haven't paid much attention to the reasons for our well-being. Then, when some Johnny Connors happens along to tell us: "Down with capital and hate your boss!"—we fail to have answers ready for him. Such a misunderstanding of America can be serious.  
**Know Your Land**  
I am happy to see that the Advertising Council, Inc., a non-profit organization made up of men in the advertising profession, will dramatize the story of America in magazines, newspapers, and on billboards. Many companies and publications will sponsor the advertisements prepared by the Council. The American Federation of Labor, the Congress of Industrial Organizations, and other groups are helping. If you see any of the ads in November and later months, please read them.  
**A Greater America**  
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You bet, America's going ahead. If we all pull together, if we count our blessings, and at the same time view our glorious future, it is not too possible for a single American to fall far anybody's false ideas. There's no country with a past like America's nor any with as great a future. If we inform ourselves, and determine that our way is the best, we can settle down and get going toward the goal of an even greater America! What's under the hood will take us places!

There are 600 hatcheries in Indiana and over 100 million chicks hatched each year in these hatcheries.

A total of 1953 million yards of rayon board woven goods were produced in 1947.

Gasoline and automotive excise taxes are more than 25 per cent higher than in 1946.

## Dale Carnegie

Author of "HOW TO WIN FRIENDS and INFLUENCE PEOPLE"

### THE MUD OR THE STARS?

ONE day I dropped in at the University of Chicago and asked Chancellor Robert Maynard "How does he kept from worrying. He replied, "I have always tried to follow a bit of advice given me by the late Julius Rosenwald, president of Sears, Roebuck and company: "When you have a lemon handed you, make a lemonade."



D. Carnegie

Here is the story of a woman who did just that. During the war Mrs. Thelma Thompson of New York City, was living in New Mexico in order to be near her husband who was stationed near the Mojave Desert. She hated, loathed the place; she had never been so miserable. Her husband was out on maneuvers in the desert and she was left all alone in a tiny shack. The heat—125 degrees—was unbearable. There was not a soul to talk to but Mexicans and Indians and they couldn't speak English. The wind blew incessantly and there was sand, sand everywhere, even in the food. She was so wretched that she wrote her parents she wanted to come home. She said she would rather be in jail than where she was.

Her father replied to her letter with just two lines:

"Two men looked out from prison bars,  
One saw the mud, the other saw stars."

Those two lines changed her entire life. She was ashamed of now sorry she had been for herself and she made up her mind that she would look for the stars. So she made friends of the natives and their reactions amazed her. She showed an interest in their pottery and weaving and they gave her wonderful pieces, favorite pieces that they refused to sell to tourists. She studied the fascinating flora around her, watched sunsets, hunted for seashells that had been left there millions of years before when the sands of the desert had been an ocean floor.

What changed all this for her? Well, the desert and her surroundings hadn't changed. But her attitude had, and her life had become filled with exciting adventure.

She was so excited that she wrote a book about it, called the "Bright Ramparts." She had looked out of her self-created tides and found the stars.

One of the most remarkable things in this world is the power you have over your own mind!

## THIS WEEK IN Washington

**REACTION** to President Truman's state of the union message here in Washington has been generally good. Farmers and labor were pleased. Business leaders who have barely recovered from the shock of November 2 are at least relieved and are no longer feeling "ghosts" around every corner.

Reaction from Republican leaders in the 80th congress is what was expected. "His program will bankrupt the country," or "It is a socialist manifesto," or "It is pure communism," or "It is playing dice with the taxpayers' money."

As a matter of fact, there was nothing new, nothing dramatic in the entire message, one of the shortest of record. The President merely wrapped up in a half-hour message a summation of the 500 speeches he made in 23,000 miles of campaigning which sold the people on his reelection. He carried out his own pledges and those in the Democratic platform.

To big business supplying vital materials in short supply, such as steel, Mr. Truman made a promise and at the same time threatened. He said we must have more steel, that the government wanted private industry to give the country more production, that the government was willing to help, even lend them money to build new plants or expand present plants if necessary, but that if the increased production was not forthcoming from the industry itself, then it is the function of government to authorize the construction of such facilities directly if action by private industry fails to meet our needs.

The President's message was followed by immediate action by the congress. The joint session had hardly adjourned and the separate houses reconvened when bills to carry out the President's program began to pour into the legislative chamber—one by Senator O'Malley of Wyoming to halt monopoly and cartels; one by Senator Myers of Pennsylvania to raise minimum wage rates; one by Senator Maybank of South Carolina to repeal federal taxes on oleomargarine; one by Senator Maybank and Senator Russell of Georgia to establish a regional valley authority (TVAA) on the Savannah river; a measure by Senator Langer of North Dakota for a bill.

lion dollar appropriations to extend rural electrification; several measures to extend reclamation projects in the West; a measure to include installation of rural telephones in the REA act, proposed by Senator Lister Hill of Alabama; a national housing act to include low rent public housing, by Senators Ellender of Louisiana, Maybank of South Carolina, Sparkman of Alabama; Myers of Pennsylvania, Hill of Alabama, Pepper of Florida and Long of Louisiana; a Hawaiian statehood bill by Senator Knowland of California, a new long-range farm program by Congressman Pace of Georgia; an anti-lynching bill by Mrs. Douglas of California; a new rent control bill also by Mrs. Douglas; a bill to extend social security by Congressman Haverener of California; salary increase for the President and Vice-President by Congressman Miller of California; a new conservation act by Congressman Hope of Kansas; a bill to increase social security payments by Pace of Georgia; one to repeal the Taft-Hartley act by Congressman Perkins of Kentucky . . . and many others.

President Truman stood by his guns on his demands for his civil rights program.

While no applause came from the southern bloc, since this was the cause of the Dixiecrat split in the party, the President did receive scattered applause from both Democrats and Republicans. In all, throughout his half-hour speech he was applauded at 30 separate times.

The consensus among leaders in Washington, Republicans and Democrats alike, is that this congress will give the President a majority of his proposals as he wants them.

It may be that some of the more controversial, such as a pre-paid health insurance program, will result in a compromise with the congress setting up the machinery for only a start on the program. Whether he will get his tax increase is problematical. He asked for a four billion dollar increase in taxes, most of it to come from corporate taxes, estate and gift taxes. But if his program is enacted, the program on which he went to the people during the campaign and which the people apparently approved, it will take more than four billion dollars to put it into effect.

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BY ALVIN KRAVITZ

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"DEAR Sammy and Johnnie:—I am writing to express to you both my deep appreciation for your cooperation in the matter of Spain. I am, of course, aware that the fear of being accused of entertaining fascist sentiments outweighs the realization that Spain is the key to the fulfillment of my ambitions in Western Europe—AND THE WORLD! For if I can replace the present government there with my camouflaged puppets—whom you both have been gracious enough to pretend are patriotic Republicans—I will control the mouth of the Mediterranean and obtain a stranglehold which even you little boys can appreciate.

"I know you are both conscious of the fact that it was I who put it over you innocents in the United Nations meetings some two years back when the members were cajoled into withdrawing their ambassadors from Spain. The reasons I advanced were to the effect that no democracy should be compelled to recognize a dictatorship and that it was unfair to freedom-loving men like Tito and me to be expected to associate with wicked autocrats like Franco.

"My doctor says my heart won't stand many more of the fits of hysteria which you boys continually incite in me. Vishinsky says you are doing it on purpose to get rid of me. So I am going to give you a shock by telling you—in the strictest confidence—that your old Uncle Joe has occasionally toyed—only toyed, mind you—with those dictator theories. There now!

"I feel I should inform you that some horrible, scheming, French reactionaries are beginning to disapprove of this simple act of kindness toward me. They even prefer that ogre Franco to little me at the mouth of the Mediterranean. So if there are any other methods than those which you are now pursuing to hurry the downfall of Spain I would be very appreciative if you would use them. It means a lot to me; it means that the entire continent now—and Britain later—will almost automatically fall into my lap. Then you, dear Uncle Sam, won't have to spend any more on the Marshall plan. Think what I am already saving you in China! With love, Joe."

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- 1—Whose idea was the European Recovery Act originally? (a) President Truman's, (b) George Marshall, (c) Dwight Eisenhower.
- 2—Who always inaugurates the President of the United States? (a) The chief justice of the Supreme Court, (b) The speaker of the house, (c) The attorney-general.
- 3—Inauguration day always is observed on: (a) The third Thursday in January, (b) Washington's birthday, (c) January 20.
- 4—Who did President Truman name to succeed Marshall as secretary of State? (a) James E. Webb, (b) Eric Johnson, (c) Dean Acheson.
- 5—The current session of Congress is the: (a) 80th, (b) 81st, (c) 82nd.

### ANSWERS

- 1—(b) George Marshall.
- 2—(a) The chief justice of the Supreme Court.
- 3—(c) January 20.
- 4—(c) Dean Acheson.
- 5—(b) 81st.

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## ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

**Happenings That Affect the Dinner Pails, Dividend Checks and Tax Bills of Every Individual—National and International Problems Inseparable from Local Welfare**

Of the many reports of governmental reorganization prepared by the Hoover Commission, that on the National Security Organization, made by a sub-committee headed by Ferdinand Eberstadt, ranks high in importance. It is clear that a very large part of future national budgets will continue to be devoted to security measures. It is equally clear, as the report emphasizes, that we are still a long way from a sound basis on which to build a defense establishment.

The report observes that the objective of a perfectly efficient and economical security system is extremely difficult to attain. It says: "The completely efficient security system will not be economical. The completely economical security system will not be militarily efficient. . . . In an effort to be completely secure, the nation might turn itself into a military state; even so, there is no such thing as 'absolute' security, and the attempt to attain it by this means could lead only to disaster." It goes on to point out that "civilian control

over military affairs involves some cumbersome and dilatory procedures and may even lead to serious technical mistakes; yet military power freed from civilian control would lead to even more serious mistakes—perhaps irreparable ones."

The committee adopted certain basic criteria as a guide to its study. Among the most important are these: 1. The primary objective of the national security organization is to preserve the peace, but it must at all times be ready to marshal all the human and material resources of the country for defense. 2. Civilian influence in formulating national policy and in controlling the military establishments must be dominant. 3. The nation is entitled to the maximum possible return for every dollar spent. 4. Wasteful duplication should be eliminated, but the preservation of a competitive spirit and of service pride and tradition are basic to progress and morale.

The committee is most critical of the services' handling of money. It began with the statement that, "The costs of the military establishment—currently about \$15,000,000,000 a year—appear to be unduly high, in terms both of the ability of the economy to sustain them and of the actual return. In military strength and effective national security." It goes on to say, "The committee failed to find in the military establishment a sense of cost consciousness or a general realization of the vital importance to our national security of utmost conservation of our resources. . . . There must be a will to eradicate waste; the first step is to instill, through education and leadership, a strong conviction throughout all ranks that waste is harmful to our national welfare." It points to the "awful cost" of the instruments of modern warfare—bombers run as high as \$4,000,000 each; a single tank costs more than \$250,000, and ships require expenditures of \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000. It cites some illuminating examples of the lack of concern of the military mind with

conservation. For instance, at the end of the war the Army believed it had 25,000 tanks on hand. But it was able to find only 16,000 of these.

The report goes on, in considerable detail, to consider one phase after another of the complex security problem. It then lists "six major areas or aspects in which improvement in the interest of greater efficiency and economy is both possible and necessary." The six points run as follows: 1. Strengthening central authority in the military establishment—that is, giving the Secretary of Defense broader and more positive powers. 2. Overhauling the military budget. 3. Improving teamwork throughout the National Security Organization. 4. Relating scientific research and development more closely to strategic planning. 5. Expediting plans for civilian mobilization in case of war. This includes all economic, industrial and manpower resources. 6. Making adequate provision for—and against—new and unconven-

tional means of warfare.

The committee also considered and rejected three more proposals which have been very widely debated. It is opposed to: 1. A single Military Chief of Staff and General Staff over all three services. 2. Merger of the three military departments into a single department. 3. Merger of the naval air arm with the Air Force. The fact that the committee turned these down is of unusual interest, in that all of them have been eloquently argued by men who believe that the total merger of the services is the ultimate goal. The committee is clearly of the

opinion that service identification and esprit de corps should be maintained, and that the Navy requires air power of its own if it is to fulfill its essential security missions.

What the committee has done is to present Congress with a blueprint from which it may create a security establishment with a maximum of virtues and a minimum of vices. It points out that the National Security Act of 1947 "is a long step forward." Yet that act inevitably created certain fears and confusions. In some cases it seems to have intensified inter-service rivalries and jealousies. As the com-

mittee put it, "One of our greatest needs is to elevate military thinking to a plane above individual aims and ambitions." That is obviously a difficult matter, and it will not be done overnight. But, if the committee is right, it must eventually be achieved, and in as short a time as possible.

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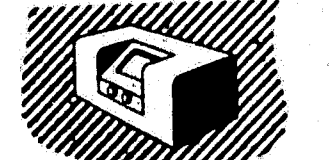


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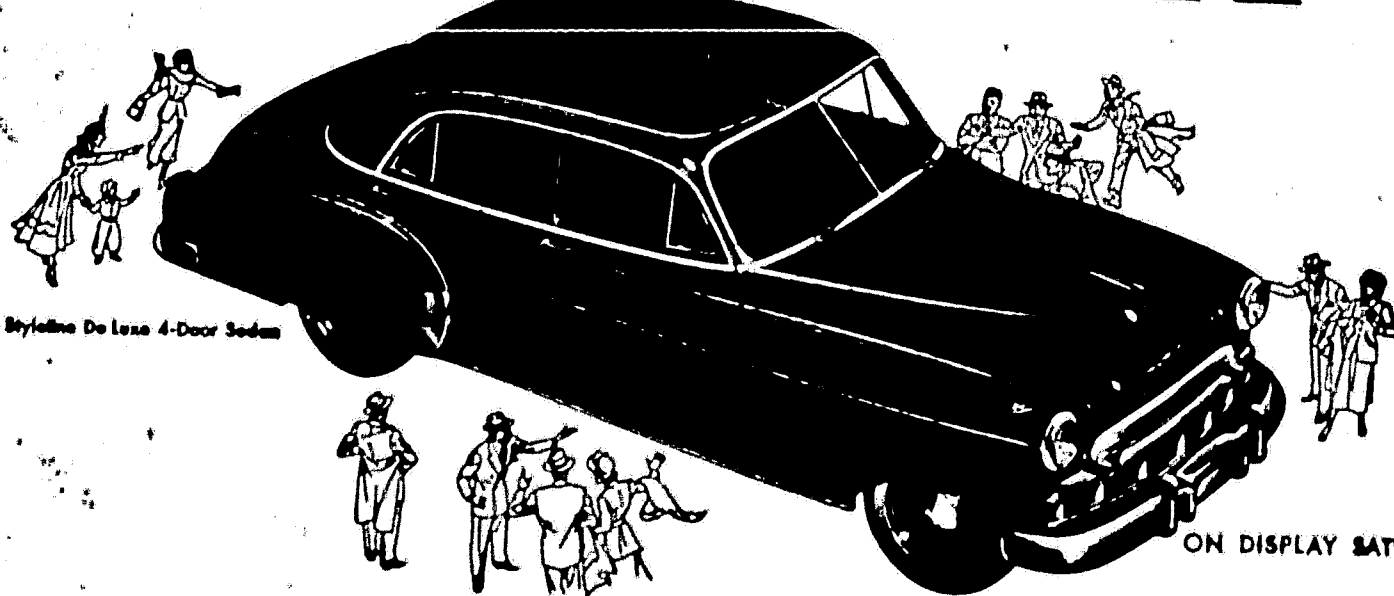
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## LOCKE MILLS

— Mrs. Mary Mills, Correspondent

Mrs. Faye Kimball entertained at a Stanley brush party at her home Tuesday evening.

Mr and Mrs Gordon Roberts are rejoicing on the birth of a son at the Rumford hospital Jan. 14. Mrs. Lora Ford and Mrs. Sadie Tibbitts of Bethel are caring for the other children while Mrs. Roberts is in the hospital.

Mrs. Beale Martin has been confined to her home with the mumps. The Community Club met at the school building Thursday evening. The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year: president, Mrs. Norma Tirrell; vice-president, Mrs. Joyce Hathaway; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Ruth Ring. The mystery package was won by Madelyn Swan, Mrs. Marion Swan who served as president of the club last year was presented a gift from the club.

Mrs. Marion Mason of Bryant Pond visited with Mrs. Mary Mills Friday.

Locke Mills scout troop No. 160 held their regular meeting Tuesday evening with scoutmaster Verne Corkum, assistant master Norwood Ford, and committeemen Merle Lurvey and the following boys present: assistant patrol leader Hugh Swan, Dean Bennett, Verne Corkum, Lloyd Cole, Clarence Howe, Arnold Jordan, Carroll Melville, Palmer Robinson, Gary Melville, Kenneth Swan, Albert Cross, Edmund Mason, Scribner Paul Bartlett.

Committeemen Lurvey gave the troop the details on their camping trip. Through the services of the committee and Philip Chabourne of Bethel, a camp has been secured on Mill brook which should be a fine place for a week end camp. The boys will go to Askeoos Dam for the starting point, then hike over the Wilsons Mills-Rangleley road for five miles, and then a short distance into the woods to the shore of Upper Richardson Lake to the camp. The camp will be ready for the boys when they arrive with large appetites. Transportation will be furnished by committeemen Lurvey, Earl Bacon and

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also Ralph Corkum who is very much interested in the boys. Incidentally, it is a question as to who is looking forward to the trip the most, the boys or the men. Weather permitting, we should have a great trip.

The remainder of the evening was spent preparing menus, and working on plans for the coming Scout Week. Watch for it!—Paul Bartlett, troop reporter.

## GILEAD

Raymond Holden went to Portland Wednesday to visit friends and relatives.

Mrs. Elaine Packard and son of West Paris are guests of her mother, Mrs. Nora Chapman.

Mrs. Mildred Newton left this week for Upton, N. Y., where she has employment.

Mrs. Eleanor Jordan of Groveton, N. H., was a guest of her father, Lawrence Robertson, this week.

James Roberts spent the week end in Lewiston.

Mrs. Thomas Quinn of Lewiston is a guest of Mrs. E. S. Skillings at the Anna nursing home this week.

Floyd Mason, Edward Holden, Milo McAllister, Steven McLain, Larry Losier Jr., Robert Chapman, and Amodeo Fiacette attended a meeting of the Western Maine Firemen's Association at South Paris Monday evening.

SOUTH ALBANY

Roy and Arthur D. Wardwell called on Preston and Susie Flint last Thursday.

Mr and Mrs Linwood Ring and family and Mr and Mrs Arthur Andrews were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs Arthur Wardwell and daughters.

Merton Kimball and son, Merritt, butchered Leon Kimball's pig last week.

Mrs. Frances Kimball and children called at Leon Kimball's Saturday.

Arthur Wardwell was in Norway on business Saturday.

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## WEST BETHEL

Mrs. Mary Turner suffered a shock last Wednesday evening. She remains very ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Milo McAllister.

Mrs. Mary Arkett is confined to her bed at the home of Mr and Mrs Fred Lovejoy.

Roland Knusel was taken Monday to the Rumford Community Hospital and underwent surgery Tuesday night.

Mrs. Adelaide McLaughlin was in Norway Tuesday.

Miss Esther Mason spent the week end at home.

What might have been a very serious accident averted Sunday afternoon when a car skidded on the icy road at the foot of Robinson Hill in an attempt to avoid hitting a stray dog. The driver of the car had had cuts and abrasions about the face and head and the car was badly demolished.

Lloyd Lowell is still confined to his home with a bad foot which he cut sometime ago.

Mrs. Flora Cummings of Oxford is boarding at the home of Mr and Mrs Fred Lovejoy.

## BRYANT POND

Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Correspondent

Robert Cummings of Washington, D. C., was the guest of relatives here the past week. His grandfather, George H. Cummings, recently had the misfortune to fall, fracturing his arm.

Mrs. Fred M. Cole spent the week end at Auburn with her brother, Robert Cushman and family. Mr Cushman is improving slowly from a severe apoplectic stroke.

Elmer E. Billings suffered a shock Saturday night and is very ill at his home here.

The Ladies Social Union will meet Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 25, at the home of Mrs. Elsie Cole.

The annual meeting and election of officers of Jefferson Chapter, O.E.S., was held Friday evening.

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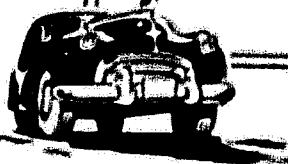
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The installation of officers will be held Thursday evening, Jan. 27, preceded by a supper at 6:30. Past Patron Frank Bean will be the installing officer.

Miss Charlotte Lownds entertained the Bryant Pond Garden Club Thursday afternoon, assisted by Mrs. Esther Dunlap and Mrs. Ruth Tyler.

The horticulture chairman, Mrs. Gertrude Davis presented the program on Hemerocallis and Snapdragons while Mrs. Margaret Wheeler gave an interesting article on Window Boxes. Refreshments were served by the hostesses. The February meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. James Billings with the program on Gladiolus in charge of J. G. Beck.

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Mr and Mrs Lucius McAllister were in Stoneham, Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Chester French of Norway called at Herbert Tiff's, Friday.

## EAST BETHEL

— Mrs. Rodney Howe, Correspondent

The Farm Bureau meeting which was to be held at Mrs. Florbel Haines Wednesday was postponed because of the slippery traveling.

School wasn't held Wednesday as the buses were unable to travel.

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## CHURCH ACTIVITIES

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**Morning Worship 11:00.**  
The CYP Club will meet Sunday evening at 6:00 in the Chapel. There will be a short worship service followed by a discussion, "Life According to Hollywood," led by Mr. Hawthorne. Plans for Youth Week will be outlined.

The quarterly meeting of the Church Council will be held Sunday evening in the Chapel at 7:30 o'clock.

A Game Party has been planned for the Guild, by Mrs. Lancelot Cooke, Mrs. Addison Saunders and Mrs. Gerald Kneeland, the committee in charge, at the next regular meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:30 in the Chapel. Miss Ann Griggs will lead the Guild in the devotions preceding the meeting.

**METHODIST CHURCH**  
William Penner, Pastor  
9:45 Church School, Miss Minnie Wilson, superintendent.

11:00 Morning Worship service. Sermon theme, "The Church's Call to Advance."

7:00 Youth Fellowship meeting at the Church.

Tuesday evening, Men's Brotherhood meeting. Supper at 6:30. Election of officers.

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Golden Text: "Thou, O Lord, are a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth" (Psalms 86:15).

## Liquor's Responsibilities

The brewers and distillers who work hand in hand despite the strange ideas of some good people who think that "beer is not liquor," are jubilant over victories in recent elections. "End of Prohibition as Political Issue Seen by Distillers" is a headline in a recent issue of The Brewers Bulletin.

Vice-Admiral F. E. M. Whiting, president of the Licensed Beverage Industries, made this statement:

"Kansas can now be added to the list of 17 countries and provinces which have tried prohibition during the last 35 years and found it a failure. This leaves the country with only two states, Mississippi and Oklahoma, that prohibit the sale of distilled spirits and wine, and it is hoped that they will repeal their statutes in the near future."

W. L. Lyons Brown, president of the Brown-Forman Distillers Corporation, called the vote in California, Washington and Colorado, as well as Kansas, "a most encouraging sign of progress." He added:

"There is a definite trend toward moderation in the country, and it is my firm conviction that the liquor industry is discharging its social responsibilities on a steadily improving basis."

Just what social responsibilities the liquor industry is discharging would be difficult to guess. (Whatever those responsibilities were, they profited Seagram's by \$34,735,660 during the fiscal year ending July 31. The gross income was \$148,687,906, which is a pretty handsome return for discharging "social

responsibilities.") And the trend toward moderation has gone so far that we are now consuming something like 20.92 gallons (the 1947 figure) of beer, wine, and hard liquors each year for every person in the United States, a 4.7 per cent increase over 1946.

One has the suspicion the citizens (both drinkers and nondrinkers) are paying heavily for the way the liquor industry is discharging its social responsibilities. The American Business Men's Research Foundation estimates that total arrests for drunkenness, driving while intoxicated, disorderly conduct, and specific liquor law violations totaled well over 25,000,000 in the 36 years since the eighteenth amendment was succeeded by the twenty-first. Comparing arrests for these four liquor offenses in 1932 with those reported by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for 1947, the foundation estimates that arrests for drunkenness have increased 197 per cent; arrests for driving while intoxicated have risen 322 per cent. And no effort was made to tabulate other offenses in which liquor frequently plays a conspicuous and tragic part.

All of this may be of special interest to the good people of Mississippi and Oklahoma, where repeal has been twice defeated, when they vote their own patriotic attitudes concerning liquor's "social responsibilities." — The Christian Advocate.

## NATIONAL CROCHET WEEK TO LAUNCH NATIONAL CROCHET CONTEST

As a result of the 1948 National-wide Crochet Contest in which hundreds of thousands of crocheters showed tremendous interest, more and more women and men are becoming crochet-conscious. Many of these crocheters would like to enter their pieces in competition to see how their work compares with the best of other crocheters. An opportunity to do just this is offered by the National-wide Crochet Contest which is being held again this year.

This interesting and profitable contest has been announced earlier this year than in the past, giving crocheters an opportunity to get started on their entries in plenty of time to enter them in local fairs this spring and summer. The contest will be launched throughout the country during National Crochet Week which will be held January 22-29. During this week Brown's Variety Store will feature all the crochet materials and pattern books you will need to complete your entry.

Contest classifications have been enlarged this year. They are (1) Tablecloths, (2) Bedspreads, (3) Luncheon Cloths and Sets, (4) Centerpieces, (5) Buffet and Vanity Sets, (6) Chair Sets, (7) Dollies, (8) Scarves and Wall Panels, (9) Household Accessories, (10) Edgings and Insertions, (11) Fashion Accessories, (12) Pot Holders and Hot Plate Mats, (13) Men Only, (14) Teen-Age Girls, (15) 4-H Club Girls, (16) Ladies Over 65.

The rules of the contest are as follows: (1) All entries must have won a special National Crochet Contest ribbon at a participating state, county or local fair, (2) All entries must be crocheted of mercerized cotton, (3) All entries must have been completed since January 1, 1949, except in those cases where participating fairs are held prior to April 1, 1949. In the latter case, entries completed since July 1, 1948 are acceptable. (4) The opinion of the judges is final in all cases, and judgment will be determined on general appearance, beauty of design, workmanship and suitability. In case of a tie, duplicate prizes will be awarded. (5) A contestant may submit as many entries as have fulfilled all the foregoing rules.

The prize money for this year's contest has been increased to \$2,500. The National Grand Prize which is awarded to the crocheter whose piece is chosen best of all entries is \$500 plus a free trip to New York City or Chicago with all expenses paid. Besides a cash award the winner in the Men Only group will also receive a free trip to New York City or Chicago. Cash prize will also be awarded to the first, second, third and fourth prize winners in each classification, plus numerous honorable mentions.

The contest is open to any and all crocheters. Drop into Brown's Variety Store's Art Needlework Department during National Crochet Week, January 22-29, for your crochet requirements and full contest details.

## TO BUILD CLASSROOM BUILDING AT BOWDOIN

The Governing Boards of Bowdoin College have given college officials the go-ahead signal on a new classroom building, it is announced by President Kenneth C. M. Sills.

A committee has been appointed to proceed with preliminary plans for the new building and it is hoped that paper work can be completed in time for ground breaking ceremonies at Commencement next June.

The new building will be erected on the "Delta," the triangular piece of land recently joined to the College campus by the rerouting of Harnsall Street. It will be placed to the east of the recently moved Presidents' Gateway, balancing Adams Hall which lies to the west of the gateway. The committee for the new building, to be headed by Harold L. Berry of Portland, of the Board of Trustees, will also make a study of present classroom buildings with a view toward modernization.

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## GEORGE A. MUNDT POST No. 81 AMERICAN LEGION

The Legion Post was very pleased to have such a large turn out of legion members and veterans who are not yet members at the recent military funeral services for the late Lt. Charles O. Smith. Such a showing encourages members of the post to believe that the people of Bethel have not forgotten them and that more and more we are gaining their support. With such encouragement the Post can and will be able to do more and more.

Although we still have not any snow for skiing purposes, we would like to urge all townspeople to purchase a membership in the Bethel Ski and Outing Club. By so doing you will be helping in one of the best undertakings that has happened in Bethel for many a year, a place for our children (and the adults) to play in the winter time. Perhaps in years to come they will be able to put up a good sized skating rink, for winter, and playground and ball diamond for use in the winter time. I feel reasonably sure that they will be able to do it if we show support to the ski slope.

To all parents of deceased veterans: Any of you who would be interested in obtaining headstones for your son's graves from the government should contact Raymond Dexter who will supply necessary application forms for some. These stones are supplied free by the government but the Post must guarantee that such stones will be set.

Remember Legionnaires, the Post is holding a regular meeting this coming Tuesday night, Jan. 25, at 8:00 p. m., at the Legion Home on Main Street. All members are urged to attend and also any veterans interested in joining our ranks—we would be glad to have you.

Steel manufacturers estimate that ingot production should be a peace time record of 78 million tons this year.

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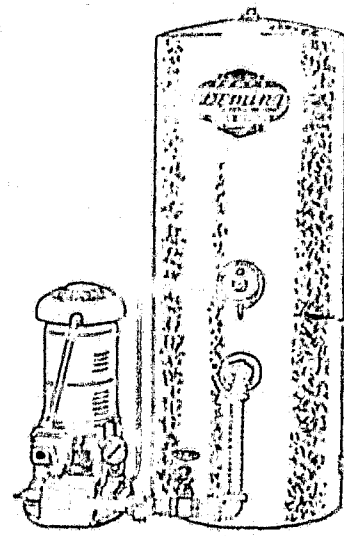
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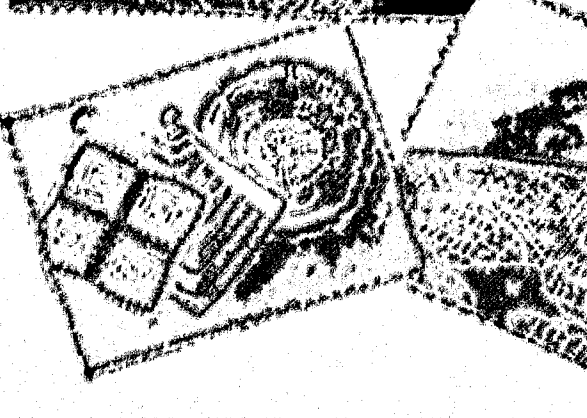
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## UNCLE NOAH

A SHORT-SHORT STORY  
By FLORENCE BAUGH

WITH ALL the assurance of his seven years Tommy thumped a watermelon, saying confidently to Uncle Noah, "This one's ripe."

Uncle Noah thumped it, listening attentively. "It sho' is ripe. You kin pick 'em, boy."

Tommy's freckled face glowed with delight at the old man's praise. To Tommy Uncle Noah was as much a part of their farm as the creek and the spring and the rock bluff.

To Uncle Noah, self-appointed guardian, Tommy was dear beyond all else. The first strawberries, the reddest apples, the ripest peaches Uncle Noah brought always to the

broke into a run when Uncle Noah whistled as though calling the hounds.

"Tramps!" muttered Uncle Noah. "Maybe dey don't do no harm, but shurely don't do no good!"

"Was that a tramp?" asked Tommy, excitedly. He had never seen a tramp before but many of Uncle Noah's stories of the old days were about tramps. "What did he want? Where is he going?"

"Ain't goin' nowhere, jist on the move," answered Uncle Noah. "Ain't many 'round here no mo', but I 'members when they beat a regular path to your Grandmammy's door. Had their sign on that house!"

When he was telling the story to the men Tommy didn't mention that he had stayed close to Uncle Noah all that afternoon, or that he had looked about cautiously as they came home through the woods. Nor did he mention that before he went to sleep that night he looked apprehensively under the bed. It seemed silly to mention these things in a group of men. Even at seven a man had to act brave!

Tommy slid into the front seat between his mother and father. Along the highway and up the side roads he watched intently for any signs of the tramp. As they came to the bend by the big spring Tommy peered through the deepening dusk. There was no one around the spring.

What if the tramp had been at their place while they were gone! Maybe he had killed Uncle Noah and set their house on fire! Where would he sleep if their house had burned? As they rounded the bend there was the house still standing on the hilltop, outlined faintly against the sky. Tommy's fears seemed unfounded.

Wags was waiting for Tommy, begging him to play. It was almost dark, too late for them to run down to the creek. They ambled off toward the front of the house.

Just as they reached the line bush at the corner of the porch Tommy stepped suddenly, trembling. There was someone lying in the hammock on the porch! Tommy held his breath. Wags was beating his tail against the bush. The noise would surely arouse the intruder! Tommy backed warily away, keeping his eye on the hammock, ready to scream if he saw any movement.

He heard Uncle Noah coming up the driveway humming softly. It gave him courage. He broke into a run, calling in a choked little voice, "Uncle Noah, Uncle Noah!" Reaching the safety of the old man's arms he whistled fearfully. "There's a tramp on the porch!"

Uncle Noah took the boy's trembling hand. "Ain't no tramps goin' 'round to harm you, boy. Let's go see."

The old man walked calmly and slowly toward the porch, the boy clinging to his hand, Wags nipping at his heels.

"Ain't see nobody," said Uncle Noah.

"There he is, in the hammock," Tommy pointed.

Uncle Noah walked boldly up the steps. There was no movement in the hammock. "See, Tommy?" Uncle Noah pulled the boy gently forward.

Tommy peeked cautiously into the sagging hammock. Then clapping his hands, he burst out excitedly, "Oh, Uncle Noah, I bet that's the biggest watermelon in the world!"

THE END



"If sho' is ripe. You kin pick 'em, boy."

here for Tommy. Frequently he hid him there, maybe in Tommy's straw hat or in his wagon, relishing the boy's glee when he found them. "They're a'calin'!" Uncle Noah informed Tommy.

"Oh, then I'll have to go. We're going to town."

Uncle Noah slowly straightened up, to see the boy hurriedly brush at the dusty overalls that had been fresh half an hour ago.

"It was 'posed to stay clean," explained Tommy, grinning. "Do you want anything from town?"

"Nothin' I needs," Uncle Noah's fond gaze accompanied the boy as he ran up the hill to the house.

The talk in town that Saturday afternoon was all about the first at Ben Hallett's place. Some suspected a tramp might have set it, accidentally or intentionally. The house had been saved but the barns were completely destroyed.

The men were trying to get a description of the tramp from those who had seen him, or thought they had seen him. Tommy told them about the tramp he and Uncle Noah had come upon a few weeks ago down by the big spring.

He and Wags were running on ahead when the dog stopped suddenly and growled. Then Tommy saw a ragged stranger drinking at the spring. The old man kept shouting close, Tommy and Wags sticking close to his heels. When they were within hailing distance Uncle Noah called out, "Jey, you, dere, can't you see that no tree sign? Get goin', boy; ain't no place no likes of you 'round here." The man sauntered insolently toward the road but

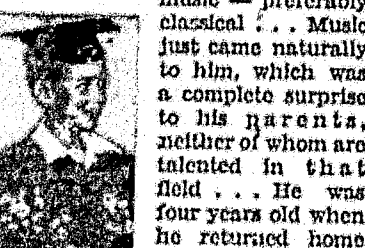


**FATE OF GOLD-MAD GATE-CRASHER** . . . As well as they could, gendarmes and mounted police attempted to keep order in Shanghai recently as thousands of Chinese jammed the Bund in an attempt to obtain gold and silver from the banks in anticipation of the arrival of Communist armies from the north. Here, a mounted cop is hauling away a woman who tried to crash a line waiting to get into the bank for some of the precious metal.

## A PEEK AT THE STARS

By LEN CONNELLY  
NWNS Radio-Screen Editor

OF ALL NBC's "Quiz Kids," perhaps one of the most remarkable is 13-year-old Lenny Lunde whose diversions vary from a fanatical interest in sports to an equal love for music—preferably classical.



Lenny Lunde

Music just came naturally to him, which was a complete surprise to his parents, neither of whom are talented in that field. . . . He was four years old when he returned home from Christmas Eve services at his local Lutheran church.

Several weeks later he was playing with both hands and within a year he could play over 100 folks songs and hymns. . . . It was then that his sister, Marcia, now 22, gave up the piano. . . . "With all her lessons she could play reasonably well, but seeing her four-year-old brother just sit down and play without previous training was too much for her."

Mr. Lunde grins. At the age of six, Lenny played for the Northwest Symphony, although he doesn't recall the incident.

He is also a composer, having written "You've Got Blues, Oh, Brother, You've Got Blues" which had an air on the Fred Allen show when he and several other quiz kids were Fred's guests some years back. . . . He also composed the words and music to "The Chief Quizzes," in honor of Quizmaster Joe Kelly, "You Walked Away From My Heart" and a little ditty about Allen which was presented to the comedian. . . . He is now working on a symphonic arrangement which he calls "Suite in D Minor for Piano."

Lenny is tall and lanky with brown hair and brown eyes. . . . He likes to travel whether it's with the show or with his folks, and this summer enjoyed a three-week motor tour of California and other points west with his family. . . . He does not like hamburgers and now on with all the trimmings. . . . Ask him what he intends to be when he grows up and he'll torn between a symphonic conductor and a baseball player, with the conductor having a slight edge.

## This Week's Patterns by AUDREY LANE

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## Successful Parenthood

BY MRS. CATHERINE CONRAD EDWARDS

Associate Editor, Parents' Magazine

THE experts are showing a great deal of respect these days for what young mothers tell them about their babies. In other words, they are no longer so scornful of the claim that "mother knows best."

Yet no one is suggesting that we go back to unguided mother intuition in the training of children. For happily we seem to have arrived at a state of profitable cooperation whereby child welfare authorities make available to parents information on child care—the parents try it out, adapt the theories to their own children and family problems and arrive at their own methods of child raising. Then parents, in turn, pass on to the experts what they have found workable in dealing with their own children.

One young mother paid her debt to the help she had received from authorities in the parent education field by thinking through her own experience and arriving at six simple rules for bringing up a baby. Here they are:

1. Study and know your baby, and act accordingly. Babies are distinct personalities from birth. Treat yours as an individual, letting him set the pace for his development and various phases of training as he indicates his readiness to learn.

2. Take it easy. No baby will accept training for any habit until his body is ready to make the required change. Every phase of training requires long weeks of infinite patience.

3. Put first things first. There are times when the baby's welfare must come first, just as there are times when his routine must be upset for the greater good of the family.

4. Love your child and express that love. Too often love is taken for granted, but a child, from babyhood up, needs frequent warm assurance of love if he is to feel secure.

5. Present a united front. Parents must cooperate and should settle differences of opinion in private discussions. No child can respect his parents or be happy when he can play one against the other. A united front is just as important when dealing with interference from family and friends.

6. Set a good example. By a child's actions we know his parents, for a child mirrors what he sees.

We particularly liked the second rule—to take it easy. I so often see parents who aren't enjoying their children because of the responsibilities they bring. Of course, they bring work and their care is pressing and often worrisome. If parents would only stop to realize that they will have the children for such a few years—why waste a minute in grumbling?

And another sound conclusion this mother reached was that the baby shouldn't take all her time and attention. Rule No. 3 puts it very well—there should be time for the other members of the family and for rest and recreation.



2217

BY HELEN MALE

TO make a coconut crunch topping for a quick coffee cake, combine 1 cup shredded coconut; 1/2 cup sugar; 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon and 1/4 cup cream or top milk. Mix well and spread evenly over batter.

For a sugary crust on top of pie brush the top of the pastry with milk, then sprinkle lightly with granulated sugar before baking.

Glazed effects on pies are easy to achieve if you brush the top crust with egg or egg yolk mixed with a little water.

For a deep brown crust on pie, add 1/4 teaspoon of sugar to egg before brushing the glaze on the pie.

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Chocolate Souffle

(Serves 4-6)

3 tablespoons butter

3 tablespoons flour

1/2 cup milk

1 1/4 squares chocolate

3 tablespoons hot water

1/2 cup sugar

3 eggs

1/2 teaspoon vanilla

Melt butter, blend in flour, and add milk. Stir and cook until smooth. Melt chocolate, add water and sugar, stirring constantly. Combine sauce and chocolate mixtures; add well-beaten egg yolks; cool. Fold in egg whites and vanilla. Turn into buttered baking dish and bake 25 minutes in a moderate (350° F.) oven.

Serve with whipped cream to which crushed peppermint candy has been added, if desired.

Always drain and rinse macaroni foods after they have been cooked tender. If you're using them in a hot dish, use hot water for rinsing. If using them in a salad, rinse with cold water.

Keep cut onions and lemon in a covered glass jar in the refrigerator so they will not waste.

Use cream in place of milk and butter for making mashed potatoes. It's less expensive and just as good.

In making fruit mixtures for dessert, place grapefruit, pineapple and oranges over peaches, bananas and apples to keep the latter from turning dark before using.

To peel potatoes quickly, slice skin off one side, then cook whole in boiling water. When done, the rest of the jacket skin will fall off in a lift.

Buy you saw it in the CITIZEN.

See ARTHUR MCKERN



SUNDAY RIVER

Jesus and the Preparatory Ministry of John.

Lesson for January 23: Matthew 3:1-17.

Memory Selection: Matthew 3:2.

JOHN THE BAPTIST was a cousin of Jesus and eminently fitted to be the forerunner of his great kinsman. Gift to parents long childless, and bearing a name not common among his people, he became a man of the wilderness, where God prepared him for his mighty work.

He began to preach at the fords of the Jordan—seen his fame spread abroad and multitudes went to hear him. His theme was repentance. And many were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins. He recognized the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism as a generation of vipers. He disclaimed being the Messiah and pointed his hearers to One who was to come after him.

That One himself came to John for baptism. John demurred, but Jesus bade him proceed so as "to fulfill all righteousness." As the Lord came up from the water, the heavens were opened, the Spirit descended upon him as a dove, and a voice from heaven said: "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

If we wonder, with John and with many since, why Jesus needed the baptism of John, we may think that Jesus was setting an example, and also completely identifying himself with those he came to save. As one who became sin for us, he who had no need to repent came to the baptism unto repentance for the sake of those who needed to repent of sin. As John prepared men to receive Jesus, let us prepare our own hearts to receive him.

Twenty-three states are considering bills to boost the gasoline tax.

Charles Frost returns from the Sunday River new that he was very thankful for all cards he received while he was ill.

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## Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL

1. Enormous

2. Conspicuous

3. Father

4. Conscience

5. To initiate

6. War god

7. Plane surface

8. Title of respect

9. Blame

10. Carefully woven cotton fabric

11. To tear

12. About

13. Laid

14. To put on

15. To be in

16. Negative ion

17. Mulberry

18. Venetian

19. To urge

20. To advise

21. Dishes

22. Mail beverage

23. Being

24. Mountain lake

25. Great letter

26. Part of leg

27. To play the

28. Part of

29. Fresh, new

30. Landed

31. Flow

32. True of

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## MAYOR McGUP . . . By J. Jarvis



## ALBANY TOWN HOUSE

and vicinity

Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Correspondent

The church service Sunday afternoon was conducted by a Deputation Team of four young people from Bates College.

Sunday visitors at Harlan Bumpus' were Mr and Mrs Arthur Hazleton, Mr and Mrs Lester Inman and daughter, Gail, Mr and Mrs Howard Lapham, Junior Lapham, and Carroll Buck.

Betsy Cummings called on Shirley Andrews Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Hazel Cash was in Norway Thursday.

Mr and Mrs Alfred Leighton were callers at L J Andrews' Thursday. Betsy and Amy Cummings visited Ruth Bumpus Saturday afternoon.

Albert McAllister called at Ray Andrews' Saturday.

Mrs E C Lapham is a patient at the CMG hospital in Lewiston.

Ben Inman was a caller at L J Andrews' Thursday.

Elmer Bennett of Bethel was a recent visitor at Ray Andrews'.

Mrs Howard Lapham has employment at the Steam Mill.

Shirley Andrews spent Wednesday with Mrs Harold Tibbets of Walkers Mills.

There was a dance at the Albany town house Friday night with a large crowd. There will be another dance this week, Friday night, Jan. 21.

L J Andrews and Ben Inman were in Rumford Wednesday where Mr Andrews took his driving test.

Mr and Mrs Ray Andrews were in Norway recently on business.

Shirley Andrews took care of Mrs Elizabeth Stevens' baby daughter Thursday evening.

**SUNDAY RIVER**

Roger Foster called on his parents, the R L Fosters, Sunday.

Jane Bean was home a few days last week with a cold.

Howard Taylor went to the Togus veterans hospital last week.

Roger Reynolds and Benton Swan were in Augusta last week.

Dana Bean is sick with a bad cold.

Rob Bean and Roland Fleet were at Claude Collins' in Upton Thursday.

Charles Frost returned to R M Fleet's from the CMG hospital, Saturday. Mrs Ethel Blaber brought him from the hospital to the Flects.

Several of the young people have received letters from Charles Parley.

Charles Frost wishes all that read the Sunday River news to know that he was very pleased and thankful for all cards and letters he received while he was in the hospital.

The Clifton Jacksons are having the grippe again.

## NORTH NEWRY

Mrs. L. E. Wight, Correspondent

Walter Newell and family of Bryant Pond were supper guests of Mrs Newell's parents, Mr and Mrs Hartley Hanscom, Sunday night.

A school meeting was held at the Branch schoolhouse Monday night.

L E Wight, Willard Wight, Roy C Tripp, and Herbert Morton Jr. attended the Western Maine Firemen's Association meeting held Monday night at the fire station in South Paris.

Miss Amy Hanscom will go to Boston Thursday to the Pratt Diagnostic Hospital for observation and a checkup. Amy has been in ill health for some time. Her sister, Mrs Ella Cole, will accompany her.

Charles J Brown, USN, of Newry reported to the USS Albemarle, now at Norfolk, Va., on January 16, after a thirty day leave.

His brother, Gordon Brown SN, reported to Oceana, Va. the same day. He had been home for fifteen days leave.

Bear River Grange will meet in regular session Saturday evening, Jan. 22, following a six o'clock supper.

Officers for 1949 were installed by Past Master Ernest L Holt, at an all day meeting held Jan. 2. Assisting Brother Holt were Sisters Holt, as marshal, Gertrude Bartlett, regalia bearer, Mildred Bartlett, emblem, following are the officers:

Master—Fred W Wight. Overseer—F I French. Lecturer—Annie Merrill. Steward—Elmer H Bean. Asst Steward—Owen Wight. Chaplain—Carrie Wight. Treasurer—L E Wight. Secretary—Susan Wight. Gatekeeper—Earl Hutchinson. Ceres—Ida L Wight. Pomona—Lillian Coolidge. Flora—Ruth Stearns. Lady Asst Steward—Carolyn Bean.

Hattie Hutchinson was elected pianist.

A rising vote of thanks was given Brother Holt and assistants, also a gift. The Worthy Lecturer presented the following literary program: Song "The Call to Action"; Reading, "My Pa's Master of the Grange"; Owen Wight; Carolyn Bean and her brother, Carroll, sang several songs with guitar accompaniment also piano duets; Tab-leau (the two best crops a farmer can raise); Reading, "Mother Nature Calls a Meeting"; Ruth Stearns; Song "It's A Good Thing To Be A Granger"; Scotch Auction. H and C W committee. Visitors were present from Lone Mt, Swift River and Mt Sugar Loaf Granges.

Twenty-nine members and nine visitors present. The State Lecturer's Conference will be held at Waterville, on Feb. 2-3-4.

**GREENWOOD CITY**

Mr and Mrs Olva Hakala spent Sunday at their home here. They are working at Shag Pond.

Ralph Bacon of West Paris was a supper guest of Robert Morgan and family on Saturday.

Fred Curtis was ill most of last week.

Mr and Mrs Wilbur Yates visited Sunday at their home here. They were with Mr and Mrs Leonas Holt, Sunday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Morgan and Bobby Holt were callers at Glen Curtis', Tubbs district, on Sunday.

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## UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Correspondent

Fred Judkins dressed off a large hog recently.

Lee Barnett has gone to work in the woods at Kippys, near Eustis, for Cleve West.

Albert Judkins and Albert Allen are harvesting ice for themselves and several others in town.

Farm Bureau met at the home of Mrs Thelma Judkins on Tuesday, Jan. 11. Subject: "Fashions and Finishes," presented by Mrs Arline Bernier, who attended training class the previous week. A fish chowder dinner was served at noon by the hostess and Mrs Merna Allen.

Colan Fuller recently dressed off a veal calf.

W E Hicks is better at this writing.

Miss Carrie Angevine has returned to Lynn, Mass., after a two week's vacation with her parents.

Mrs Flora Abbott and Mrs Ethel French of Norway spent a few days the first of this week with Mrs Bertha Judkins. They also visited Mrs Elvira Bartlett at the Abbott House.

**MIDDLE INTERVALE**

Mrs. Augustus Carter, Correspondent

Mrs Winifred Bartlett has employment at Bangor.

Mr and Mrs J H Carter of Augusta were recent callers in the neighborhood.

Miss Bernice Jordan of Locke Mills has been caring for Mrs Beatrice Buck.

Fred Stanley and Hoyt Gunther returned to C Pond Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Thomas Kennaugh were callers at Augustus Carter's Sunday.

Paul and Augustus Carter were in Rangeley and Bingham Tuesday of last week.

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## DOWN MEMORY LANE

HAVE you ever easedropped on one of these all-too-frequent sentimental journeys down Memory Lane—those all-too-rare reunions when old-timers reminisce over old times, old friends, old ways, old familiar places?

Although fast fading from the American scene, the dying institution known as the "hot stove league" is being kept alive by E. O. (Dick) Helwig of Chicago, president for the past 10 years of the Chicago Lawn Historical society. Like all affiliates of the Illinois State society, Dick's group has a reunion at least once a year.

Whenever Dick and his cronies get together for a reunion, the conversation inevitably turns to the "good old days." Recently, Dick planted a candid "mike" in the society's meeting place to record for posterity some of the reminiscent remarks made during one of these typical conversations.

**Highlights of Conversation**

If you had been within listening distance then (within easy reach of the cracker barrel, that is), you, too, would have overheard these choice tidbits, later culled from the conversation piece and added to Dick's remembrance of things past:

**R. H. S.:** "Who remembers playing hockey from school and 'bumming' the day in an old, red, ramshackle barn, smoking dried cornsilk or lying in the hayloft gazing through a crack in the roof at the clouds passing by and dreaming of pirates, buried treasure, Adventure on the high seas, exotic ports of call in the South seas or along the gold coast of Africa? I can still see the spider webs spun along the dusty timbers and smell the aged-in-the-wood taint of ancient hay and animals. An old rope and a harness hung on the wall and a rusty milk can gathered cobwebs in the corner. Sometimes I imagined I saw witches and would expect the pitchfork to fly away."

**R. O. H.:** "Speaking of playing hockey, who remembers the Southworth Stone arithmetic, the Laurel singer, the Jones and McGuffy readers or the McMassey history?"



Does this scene strike a nostalgic note? If you spent any part of your boyhood on a farm—and if you were a typical American boy of a generation ago—you probably played hockey from school and "bummed" the day in an old ramshackle barn, smoking dried cornsilk or lying in the hayloft watching spiders spin their webs or looking up at the clouds drifting past a crack in the roof.

**Speaking of Girls**

**R. O. H.:** "That reminds me. Remember how we used to shine the harness and clean the buggy to go a-courtn'?" And how our lady fair would stroke the horse's nose admiringly, only to have the brute sneeze all over her?"

**E. M. S.:** "Those were the days the ladies wore plumes in their hats for special dress-up occasions. Sometimes they'd get caught in the rain and would have to spend the evening drying out and re-curling the feathers over a hot stove lid sprinkled with salt."

**R. O. H.:** "Most drug stores in those days had small glass aquariums with leeches and seaweed. The leeches were used to draw the inflammation from black eyes, bruises and bumps."

**A. E.:** "Remember how mother used to daub glycerine and rose water on our tender hides and it would smart so much that we'd jump up and down and wave our arms to relieve the burning sensation?"

**R. H. S.:** "Who remembers when court plaster was first used to cover scratches and wounds and the advertisement which went with it? 'You stick to me and I'll stick to you.'"

**L. W.:** "Who remembers when yard goods was measured by the distance from the clerk's finger tip to the point of his chin?"

**T. K.:** "Who remembers Nebo cigarettes? The cigar called 'Habit' and the advertising slogan, 'Get the Habit? When Egg-O-See was a nationally-advertised cereal? When everybody was talking about Rheostats, superheterodyne, crystal sets, Zeno and Pulzer guns? When you felt like some pumpkins when you rode in an automobile like it Mitchell, the Flint, the Auburn, the Bay State, the Cleveland Six, the Chandler, the Scripps-Booth, the Franklin, the Grant Six or the Stanley Steamer? We really thought we were somebody when we rode in our Mitchell touring car with its big drum headlights!"

## GROVER HILL

Mrs Godwin of Woodstock is with Mr and Mrs Fred A Mundt this winter.

Mrs Helen Sprague and children from Skillington were recent overnight guests of Mr and Mrs Everett Bean.

Mr and Mrs Cecil Abbott and son Albert of Rumford visited her parents, Mr and Mrs C N Waterhouse, one night last week.

Arthur Chayer was a recent caller on Mr and Mrs H A Skillings.

Mrs Frank Cragin of Westbrook has returned home after a visit with her daughter, Mrs Malcolm Mundt and family.

Lawrence Waterhouse goes to Portland Tuesday for induction into the army in the 18 year old class.

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plump and greedy raccoons. They enjoyed the suet on the big elm, then disappeared and have not been seen since.

**AUTO TAX BURDEN RECORD**

**HIGH OF \$97 PER VEHICLE**

Special automotive taxes will average a record \$97.00 for every motor vehicle registered in Maine in 1949, according to preliminary estimates released recently by Leroy T Snowdon of the Maine Petroleum Industries Committee. Mr Snowdon pointed out that this tax burden, which includes all special federal and state levies on motor vehicles, has increased 75 per cent since 1933.

"These are startling figures when we realize that they represent only the special taxes that motorists paid on their vehicles and motor fuel during the past year," he said, "but in addition to the \$97.00 burden of these special taxes, motorists also paid a minimum local excise tax of \$5.00 per vehicle and all the general taxes required of other citizens."

"The motorists have been called the most heavily taxed group in the entire state and it is easy to see why," he continued. "We hear a lot about the high cost of living, but what about the high cost of taxes?" he asked. "Here is a tax cost increase of approximately 75 per cent in just one field of taxation in the last ten years."

"Already there are signs that the cost of living may be headed downward. But at the same time the automotive tax burden is at its highest peak in history. Since we're beginning to get some relief from the pinch of inflation, let's hope that this exorbitant tax burden will also be permitted to decline."

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## 1944 IN REVIEW

continued from Page One started in remodeling the old "Swift Block," occupied by Bonnerman's Pharmacy and "Spec" Guernsey's barber shop. Deaths—Bert H. Bean, Anna K. Pike, Mrs. Sarah Stearns, Hannibal H. Chapman, Miss Minnie Capen.

**APRIL** — Mr and Mrs Frank A. Brown observed their 67th wedding anniversary. Passenger train service was cut in half because of the coal shortage resulting from the coal strike. Roger Reynolds suffered cuts and bruises when he fell from his tractor and was run over. Sumner Sewall was speaker at a meeting of the Lions Club and townspeople. Deaths—Mrs. Jennie Mann, Edward Hobson Lee, J. Thurston Paul, J. Verrill, Edwin A. Barker, Wallace W. Kilgore, Mrs. Alice R. Rose, Lowellyn Emmons, John C. Anderson, George Leighton.

**MAY** Hundreds of men were led for Fred W. Kilgore who disappeared from his home at North Newry. Mr and Mrs Perry Lapham were honor guests at a golden wedding celebration. Donald Christie was selected superintendent of the local school union. Pupils of the intermediate and grammar school rooms at Locke Mills enjoyed a night seeing trip to Portland. Deaths—Selden Grover, Mrs. Angie Robbins, Karlo H. Lindvall, Edwin H. Anderson, Miss Dorothy Ann Trapp, George E. Buck.

**JUNE** — William R. Davis of Michigan bought the Hotel Sudbury (formerly Gateway House and Maple Inn) from Mr and Mrs Marjorie Fredey who had operated a year and a half. Organization meeting of the county Keep Maine Green committee was held at William Hingham Gymnasium. Graham Lumber Co., No. 1 sawmill was burned. Stuart Martin of Rumford

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Point bought McAnis Market. A cow moose roamed Bethel village. Knights of Pythias held reception for Grand Chancellor Alden Chase at Bryant Pond. Richard Leighton was promoted to roadmaster on the Grand Trunk railroad. The home of David Foster at East Bethel was badly damaged by lightning but nobody was injured. The village trees were sprayed by airplane. Deaths—Mrs. Minnie Harriman, Miss Frances Chapman, Rev. Isabella MacDuff, Miss Gladys Gilman, Harold E. Bachelier, Mrs. Jennie Littlechale.

**JULY** Much crop damage by deer was reported. Robert Blake was elected fire engineer to succeed Lloyd Linton, resigned. \$150,000 fire destroyed the oil distributing plant of W. H. Knightly Co. at Norway. The Middle Intervale schoolhouse was moved to a foundation on the Mayville road by Stanley Davis "Archie and Old Lace" was produced by the Bethel Players. Deaths—Walter Vall, Arthur Bunting, Mrs. Leona Buck, Albert F. Smith, Mrs. Paul D. Sargent, Mrs. Edward P. Lyon, Lauren L. Lord.

**AUGUST** Mr and Mrs Charles Gorman celebrated 25th wedding

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## LEWISTON-MONTREAL SNOWSHOERS HERE SUNDAY

Two Lewiston snowshoers, Jerry Levesque and Arthur Liotte, stopped in town Sunday night on their 275 mile hike from Lewiston to Montreal, where they will attend the International Snowshoe Carnival. Tuesday night they reached Groveton, where they expected to rest a day before proceeding to Colebrook. Lack of snow has prohibited the use of snowshoes so far on their route.

## NEWRE

Mrs. Barbara Learned returned home Sunday after a weeks visit with her aunt, Mrs. Pugliese at Gorham, N. H.

Mrs. George F. Learned visited Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Ivan Stowe, Albany.

Mrs. George F. Learned called recently at the home of Mrs. Lena Cole, Rumford Point.

Mr and Mrs Anthony Pugliese and daughter, Mary Jane, were callers at Mr and Mrs G. H. Learned's, Monday.

George Learned Jr., has purchased a Plymouth car.

anniversary. Willard S. Fulton of Niagara Falls, N. Y., was killed and his wife and son injured when their car left the road near West Bethel. A pulpwood truck driven by Herbert Lyon and owned by Joseph Deegan was badly wrecked when a king pin broke near the State line. Rain partially replenished the low water supply. Black surface was put on the rebuilt section of the Middle Intervale road. Work was started on the town garage on Cross Street. Registration for selective service started. Deaths—Mrs. Vertie C. Hutchins, Mrs. Hollis Coolidge.

**SEPTEMBER** — Gould Academy opened with an enrollment of 256. The Western Maine Firemen's Association was organized in a meeting at the Community Room. Because of drought conditions bird hunting was banned. Deaths—Mrs. Howard E. Tyler, Mrs. Sarah Gunther, Charles C. Kimball, Carroll Johnson, Wallace Merrill, Mrs. Celestia Kimball, Wilber Cousins, Walter Russ, L. Lloyd Chapin, Miss Florence Twitchell, William L. Mountfort.

**OCTOBER** — State Milk Control Board held meeting at Community Room. Walter Errington suffered a serious leg wound on the first day of deer hunting. Deaths—Mrs. Lillian C. True, Mrs. Ruth S. Farnsworth, George Dana Morrill, Addison H. Flanders, Rev. Orville E. Bryant, Betty Jean Bartlett.

**NOVEMBER** — Girl Scouts and Brownies held mother-daughter

**NOTICE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that David R. Hastings of Fryeburg in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, has made application to the Maine Board of Bar Examiners for examination for admission to the Bar of the State of Maine, at the session of the Board to be held at Bangor, Maine, on Wednesday, February 2, 1944.

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## BEAGLE CLUB ORGANIZED HERE SUNDAY

Organized with the permission of the American Kennel Club, the Androscoggin Valley Beagle Club held its first meeting at Bethel, Jan. 16, with a roster of 41 members.

Officers elected are: president, Eugene Van Den Kerckhoven, Bethel; vice-president, Norton Keene, Auburn; treasurer, Alton Luck, Norway; secretary, Norman Dock, Bethel. The board of directors includes the officers and Floyd Mason, Gilead; Leo King, Rumford; and Edward Wheeler, Bethel.

Anyone wishing to join should contact one of the officers.

## BORN

In Detroit, Mich., Jan. 11, to Mr and Mrs A. Bernard Bartlett, formerly of Bethel, a son, Mark Allen.

## DIED

In Bethel, Jan. 18, Mrs. Dora J. Stearns, widow of Nathan A. Stearns, aged 89 years.

In Rumford, Jan. 20, Everett Bean of Bethel.

A pencil eraser will remove all black marks left by some rubber heels.

banquet at American Legion rooms. Control board fixed local milk prices. Special town meeting voted to complete town garage with surplus funds. Planned new kitchen in Primary building for school lunches. Deaths—Archibald Poole, Miss Deborah Rowe, James Farwell.

**DECEMBER** — Bethel Ski and Outing Club was formed. P. H. Chadbourne & Co.'s "clipper mill" burned. Ski tow was built on Vernon Street. Miss Mabel Libby was criminally assaulted at her home on the West Greenwood road. The home of Ralph Hall, under construction on Paradise Street, was damaged by fire. Emery Blake was seriously burned. Mr and Mrs Harry H. Brown celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Deaths—Mrs. Ada Tyler, Frederick G. Pike, Mrs. Wade H. Thurston, Mrs. Elvira Maddix, Richard McLaughlin, Winfield Scott Robertson.

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After dinner, Dick Talbot, Extension Dairy Specialist from Orono, will discuss "Green Pastures and the Green Pastures Contest." A veterinarian, Dr. E. C. Moore, of Lewiston will then talk on "Causes of Breeding Difficulties in the Dairy Animal." President Andrews then will hold a question period. Silver, Blue and Red certificates will be awarded to those whose herds averaged 500, 400 and 350 pounds of fat per cow, respectively, during the testing year.

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Farmers (44) Higgins, lf Beuhl, rf Lavin, c Chandler, lg Durgin, lg Stearns, rg Briggs, c

Farmers 10 Gould  
References—Scott, R

**GOULD 57—OLD OR**

Gould Academy w straight victory, again when the Huskies took of Old Orchard 57-28, fought and rather ro the outsiders tried in the Gould offense. was especially effecti half where he scored points. Cad Bennett points more evenly the first half and second for a total of 1 of Old Orchard was t man to score in double collected 11 points mates. Nineteen fouls on Old Orchard but managed to finish the committed 10 fouls but were by Davis who w way of the final perio

Gould (57) Hall, f 2 Bennett, f 8 Davis, c 8 Boyd, c 0 Smith, g 3 Dodge, g 0 Kendall, g 2 Guernsey, g 0

Old Orchard (28) Picard, f 3 Lunt, f 0 Farrington, f 4 Dickinson, f 0 Fregau, f 0 Marshall, c 1 Rich, c 0 Davis, g 2 Fairbanks, g 0 Morse, g 0 Larson, g 1

Gould 12 1 Old Orchard 6  
References: Jones, McGou  
Time Four eighths.

**ANNOUNCE FOSTER-ENGAGEMENT**

Mr and Mrs Roger L. Bethel are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Mary Foster, to Al Sauer. Mr and Mrs William Lewiston. The wedding place in February.

Miss Foster is a graduate of the Gould Academy, attended Bethel Maine School of Nursing and is now employed at a local Mutual Insurance Co. in Lewiston.

Mr Sauer is a graduate of the High School and Maine School of Commerce and is employed in the office of the Gypsum Company, Ltd.

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